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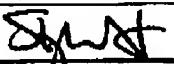
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

This letter is responsive to the Examiner's Office Action of 16 December 2004. Please charge a one-month large entity extension fee to Deposit Account 15-0450, extending the time period for response to 16 April 2004.

The Applicant makes the following amendments:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

No amendments at this time.

IN THE CLAIMS

The applicant's amendments begin on page 2 of this response.

IN THE ILLUSTRATIONS

No amendments at this time.

REMARKS

The applicant's remarks begin on page 14 of this response.